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News Briefs

Change of command

Col. Robert Wright Jr., will relinquish command of the 52nd Operations Group to Col. Thomas Lawhead in Spangdahlem AB Hanger One Aug. 18 at 3 p.m.

BAH II changes

Due to a change in law, basic allowance for housing type two payments are no longer authorized for members assigned to permanent duty stations. This BAH type was paid to members during a permanent change of station move to offset certain housing costs. Now, assigned members will only be entitled to temporary lodging allowance and overseas housing allowance. A separate entitlement called BAH In Transit remains for members in PCS status. The 52nd Comptroller Squadron will work with personnel affected by this change on a case by case basis. For more information, contact 1st Lt. Kurt Schmidbauer at 452-5839.

Changes to Web access

In accordance with Air Force and C---- I---- O----- guidance, all private Department of Defense Web servers such as LeaveWeb will require users to present a valid DoD Public Key Infrastructure certificate issued by DoD PKI Certificate authorities, effective Tuesday. To comply with this requirement, users will need to authenticate with their DoD Common Access Card.

Travel system upgrade

A travel system upgrade will occur Tuesday, disrupting service for the day. For more information, call Senior Master Sgt. Thomas Walls at 452-7188.

Weekly accident reports

There were seven minor vehicle accidents and six major vehicle accidents last week. The minor accidents resulted from: others at fault, inattentive driving, speeding and backing. The major accidents occurred on: two on B-50; one on A-62; one on B-51 and one on A-1. *(Editors note: Compiled by Amber Christiansen 52nd Security Forces Squadron)*

Wing training day

Base agencies and offices will close Aug. 15 for the next wing training day. People in need of urgent medical care should go to the Bitburg Annex Hospital Emergency Room.

Going for the end zone

Kicking off intramural flag football.

Read "CES tackles LRS," on Page 8.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Tammie Moore

Coming home

Col. Darryl Roberson, 52nd Fighter Wing commander, greets Airmen from the 52nd Security Forces Squadron who just returned home from a six-month deployment to Balad Air Base, Iraq. While there the Airmen were responsible for providing security to Airmen, Soldiers and civilians assigned to Logical Support Area Anaconda and Balad.

Building DUI, ARI awareness

By Staff Sgt. Tammie Moore
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

The 52nd Fighter Wing won second place and \$75,000 in U.S. Air Force in Europe's quest for the most comprehensive, effective and innovative alcohol-related incidents reduction program.

"Lt. Gen. (Robert) Bishop awarded the 52nd Fighter Wing the money to use toward our alcohol and people programs specifically because of our RESCON policy," said Col. Darryl Roberson, 52nd FW commander. "Headquarters recognized it as valuable and wants to reward us."

Colonel Roberson is very passionate about combating the number of driving-under-the-influence incidents and ARIs involving Spangdahlem Airmen and recently updated the base's Responsibility Condition policy.

The RESCON policy uses a variety of measures to foster a culture that does not tolerate irresponsible drinking. Based on the number of DUIs and ARIs that occur during a 30-day period, RESCON conditions change from an Alpha to a Delta level. Each condition level requires commanders, supervisors and squadron members to take specific actions.

"When I arrived on station and was first exposed to the RESCON policy, I had not seen a policy like this before," Colonel Roberson said. "I was immediately impressed by the level of commitment it required of everyone in the wing and squadrons."

"This feeling was cemented when I saw the number of DUIs over the last year," Colonel Roberson said. "The number is coming down dramatically, which is the point. I have not seen many programs like this which have been this effective."

Through meetings with chief master sergeants, first sergeants and Airmen across the base, it became clear to Colonel Roberson that he needed to look at the ARI side of the RESCON policy a little closer.

"I wanted us to not only keep the number of DUIs on a downward trend but to also make a reduction in the number of ARIs," he said. "I am personally concerned about 'Airmen hurting Airmen' -- this is something that we want to prevent. I am very interested in trying to address this."

Changes Colonel Roberson made to the RESCON program to achieve this goal include mandatory attendance of Anger Management Classes for ARI violators, their supervisor's attendance of Alcohol Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment's Supervisors Alcohol Awareness Seminar and mandatory participation in weekend town patrols in uniform.

"The bottom line -- what we are trying to get at, is people need to be disciplined about their alcohol consumption," Colonel Roberson said. "As the wing commander, one of the unfortunate things I get to see is careers ruined by bad decisions. It is unfortunate because we have great people doing great things at their job, they just happen to make one bad choice."

Not having a plan before going out can lead to these bad choices.

"We lost three Sabers in the last year because of poor choices involving alcohol," said Chief Master Sgt. Darrin Dwyer, interim 52nd Fighter Wing command chief. "Everyone is valuable. They all have an impact on mission accomplishment, and we can't afford to lose any people."

For Spangdahlem Airmen who choose to drink, there are many different options available to get them home without them having to drive. Airmen can use taxi services, the first sergeant's Alternative to Drive and Airmen Against Drunk Driving programs. They can even call their wingmen, commanders or first sergeants at any time.

"Airmen who drink on base even have the option to check into lodging," Chief Dwyer said.

The commander and interim command chief both believe that for the base DUI and ARI policy to make an impact on Airmen, there needs to be a change in Airmen's perception of responsible drinking.

A lot of troops think that 0-1-3 means that if they only have three drinks they can drive, the chief said. Nowhere in 0-1-3 does it say it is okay to drink and drive.

It is just a way to give people an idea of their limits.

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RESCON Watch

BRAVO

1-2 DUIs/ARIs in the Last 30 Days

Days since last DUI/ARI: 6

Rank of last DUI: senior airman
Squadron of last DUI: 52nd EMS

189 Airmen's lives were saved by the Airmen Against Drunk Driving Program since Jan. 1, 2006. When going out, have a plan or call AADD for a ride, at 06565-61-2233.

Team Eifel Airmen earn promotion, prepare to sew on staff sergeant

Staff Reports

The Air Force selected 13,298 of 37,071 senior airmen for promotion to staff sergeant.

This represented an overall 35.87 percent selection rate for the 2006 E-5 cycle. The 2005 E-5 promotion rate was 40.15 percent.

Spangdahlem Air Base and its geographically-separated units promoted 301 of 858 eligible senior airmen, for a 35.08 percent promotion rate.

The following, in alphabetical order, are the names of the senior airmen from Spangdahlem AB and its GSUs selected for staff sergeant.

38th Munitions Maintenance Group Geographically-Separated Units

Christopher Afleje, 703rd Munitions Support Squadron; **Donald Anderson**, 701st Munitions Support Squadron, Kleine Brogel Air Base, Belgium; **Isaac Barber**, 701st MUNSS; **Cecil Baxter**, 703rd MUNSS; **Jeanna Benish**, 702nd Munitions Support Squadron, Buechel Air Base; **Jodi Besaw**, 703rd MUNSS; **Derek Bethea**, 703rd MUNSS; **James Betourne**, 701st MUNSS; **Shawn Bjorgaard**, 701st MUNSS; **Joshua Brudwick**, NATO E-3A Airborne Early Warning Component, NATO Air Base, Geilenkirchen; **Cris Cheung**, 702nd MUNSS; **Kenneth Clarke**, 702nd MUNSS; **Amy Cody**, 702nd MUNSS; **Elizabeth Coggins**, 701st MUNSS; **Bryan Cox**, 701st MUNSS; **Terry Cozad**, 701st MUNSS; **Mariefaye Duarte**, 470th Air Base Squadron, NATO Air Base, Geilenkirchea; **Jessica Eales**, 470th ABS; **Corey Elya**, 470th ABS; **Jarret Espiritu**, 703rd MUNSS; **Andrea Evans**, 701st MUNSS; **Christian Fraijo**, Regional Headquarters Allied Forces, Northern Europe; **Robert Garcia**, 703rd MUNSS; **Randy Gilbert**, 703rd MUNSS; **John Godfrey Jr.**, 703rd MUNSS; **David Grant Jr.**, 703rd MUNSS; **Felicia Hankton**, NATO AWACS; **Michelle Harrington**, 701st MUNSS; **Christopher Howard**, 703rd MUNSS; **Alana Hurst**, 702nd MUNSS; **Nathan Jackson**, 701st MUNSS; **Ryan Jones**, 703rd MUNSS; **Timothy Kirby**, 702nd MUNSS; **Robert Legg**, 701st MUNSS; **Joseph Lyszaz**, 702nd MUNSS; **Patrick Neal**, 701st MUNSS; **Nicholas Niesen**, 703rd MUNSS; **Alicia Obmann**, 470th ABS; **Pablo Perez-Gonzalez**, 703rd MUNSS; **Phillip Pineda**, 703rd MUNSS; **Craig Porath**, 702nd MUNSS; **Christopher Randall**, 703rd MUNSS; **Zachary Ryan**, 701st MUNSS; **Charles Savage**, 703rd MUNSS; **Veronica Seale**, 701st MUNSS; **Robert Sheehan**, NATO AWACS; **Jerry Sinclair**, 703rd MUNSS; **Seth Stinnett**, 702nd MUNSS; **Gregory Sturgis**, 702nd MUNSS; **Truett Taylor**, 702nd MUNSS; **Bryan Valles**, 701st MUNSS; and **Wallace Wilkerson**, 701st MUNSS

52nd Fighter Wing

Jason Reiman, 52nd FW Staff Judge Advocate Office; **Anthony Storey**, 52nd Comptroller Squadron; and **Thomas Van Horn**, 52nd Contracting Squadron

52nd Maintenance Group

Nicholas Adams, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron; **Elizabeth Aldridge**, 52nd EMS; **Karim Alshaikhly**, 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron; **Ariel Aponte**, 52nd EMS; **Michael Arevalo**, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; **Martin Ayres**, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron; **Jareon Bailey**, 52nd EMS; **Ryan Baxter**, 52nd AMXS; **Charles Beland**, 52nd AMXS; **Nicholas Beltz**, 52nd EMS; **Ryan Bennett**, 52nd AMXS; **Robert Black**, 52nd CMS; **Matthew Blank**, 52nd EMS; **Jeremy Bostock**, 52nd AMXS; **Micah Botteicher**, 52nd AMXS; **Terence Brumfield**, 52nd CMS; **Alyssa Burns**, 52nd EMS; **Patrick Buuck**, 52nd AMXS; **Aaron Carleton**, 52nd CMS; **Carlton Carpenter**, 52nd AMXS; **Russell Carr**, 52nd AMXS; **Charles Cassidy**, 52nd MOS; **Justin Cedarleaf**, 52nd CMS; **Steven Chavez**, 52nd EMS; **Seth Cheezum**, 52nd EMS; **Eric Clayborn**, 52nd CMS; **Kaamil Coston**, 52nd EMS; **John Dobler**, 52nd EMS; **Christopher Edmonds**, 52nd CMS; **Edward Evans**, 52nd EMS; **Michael Farrugia**, 52nd CMS; **Jacob Fedorka**, 52nd EMS; **Elizabeth Gaskins**, 52nd MOS; **Adam Gerhart**, 52nd CMS; **Ryan Gilbreth**, 52nd CMS; **Anthony Gillespie**, 52nd AMXS; **Jerry Gilliam**, 52nd EMS; **Nathan Graczyk**, 52nd EMS; **Michael Grayless**, 52nd CMS; **Bruce Greenwood**, 52nd EMS; **Timothy Gross**, 52nd EMS; **Johnny Harris**, 52nd

EMS; **Robert Harris**, 52nd MOS; **Michael Hawkins**, 52nd AMXS; **Sean Hawkins**, 52nd AMXS; **Ryan Heidbrier**, 52nd EMS; **Raymond Hinton**, 52nd AMXS; **Justin Hobart**, 52nd EMS; **Ronnie Holden**, 52nd AMXS; **Thomas Hribar**, 52nd EMS; **Trevis Humphrey**, 52nd AMXS; **Jason Ikeda**, 52nd AMXS; **Christopher Ingram**, 52nd EMS; **Daniel Isaksen**, 52nd AMXS; **LaTonya Jackson**, 52nd AMXS; **Joshua Jacob**, 52nd EMS; **Elbert Jenkins**, 52nd EMS; **Dwayne Jobe**, 52nd CMS; **Joshua Johnson**, 52nd EMS; **Damien Kimbrough**, 52nd CMS; **Jason Kodenski**, 52nd AMXS; **Matthew Lafoon**, 52nd CMS; **Sergio Landeros**, 52nd AMXS; **Trinh Le**, 52nd EMS; **Arthur Lecesse**, 52nd EMS; **Matthew Lepage**, 52nd EMS; **Teri Litten**, 52nd EMS; **Joshua Long**, 52nd AMXS; **Adrian Lopez**, 52nd EMS; **Katherine Malley**, 52nd CMS; **Brandon Malpass**, 52nd AMXS; **Robert Marcy**, 52nd CMS; **Gregory McCormack**, 52nd EMS; **Shaun McDonald**, 52nd AMXS; **John McFarland**, 52nd AMXS; **Joseph McMillan**, 52nd AMXS; **Jennifer Moore**, 52nd CMS; **Brenten Murphy**, 52nd EMS; **Pamela Obenchain**, 52nd AMXS; **Eric Osborn**, 52nd AMXS; **Justin Oyola**, 52nd EMS; **Raymond Pantaleo**, 52nd CMS; **Joshua Phillips**, 52nd CMS; **James Plankinton**, 52nd EMS; **William Radcliff**, 52nd EMS; **Brandon Ramos**, 52nd AMXS; **Michael Rance**, 52nd EMS; **Sean Reynolds**, 52nd CMS; **Lindsey Riggs**, 52nd MXG; **Christopher Roback**, 52nd AMXS; **Nicholas Roden**, 52nd MXG; **Marcus Sandvik**, 52nd EMS; **Joseph Scalise**, 52nd CMS; **Daniel Sewell**, 52nd EMS; **Jason Shaver**, 52nd EMS; **Candy Taylor**, 52nd CMS; **Jimmy Taylor**, 52nd AMXS; **Joshua Teakles**, 52nd AMXS; **James Thomas**, 52nd EMS; **John Thomas**, 52nd AMXS; **Zachary Thompson**, 52nd AMXS; **Jonathan Tonk**, 52nd AMXS; **Vicente Velasquez**, 52nd CMS; **William Wallace**, 52nd AMXS; **William Watson**, 52nd CMS; **Galen Williams**, 52nd EMS; **Benjamin Wood**, 52nd EMS; **Kristopher Woodhull**, 52nd AMXS; and **Steven Yankovich**, 52nd EMS

52nd Medical Group

Adrianne Arias, 52nd Medical Support Squadron; **Marie Collins**, 52nd Dental Squadron; **Miranda Demers**, 52nd MDSS; **Tasha Gerard**, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron; **Latisha Haley**, 52nd MDSS; **Michael Huller**, 52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron; **Vongvaly Kohjaraoentham**, 52nd MDSS; **Racquel Johnson**, 52nd MDOS; **Ward Mccann**, 52nd MDOS; **Michael Mcelroy**, 52nd AMDS; **Edison Montesdeoca**, 52nd MDOS; **Leonard Myers**, 52nd DS; **Sasha Otto**, 52nd MDOS; **Alexis Parker**, 52nd DS; and **Pathomphone Thongchanh**, 52nd MDSS

52nd Mission Support Group

Samantha Adams, 52nd Communications Squadron; **Nathan Allen**, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron; **Brandon Bellini**, 52nd LRS; **Daniel Boyce**, 52nd LRS; **John Brautigam**, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron; **Charrell Broadus**, 52nd Security Forces Squadron; **Jay Brown**, 52nd CES; **Joseph Cahoon**, 52nd SFS; **Romeo Carter-Brown**, 52nd CS; **Jacob Clark**, 52nd SFS; **Cory Cook**, 52nd CES; **Stephen Dennis**, 52nd SFS; **Kenneth Denton Jr.**, 52nd LRS; **Christopher Douglass**, 52nd LRS; **Kevin Dysart**, 52nd CES; **Julio Figueroa-Nunez**, 52nd CES; **Glensy Frederick**, 52nd LRS; **Michael Furse**, 52nd LRS; **Robert Garcia**, 52nd CS; **Andrea Gillon**, 52nd CS; **Brian Giovannoni**, 52nd LRS; **Edgar Gonzalez**, 52nd SFS; **Kyle Goodwin**, 52nd CES; **Erica Grant**, 52nd LRS; **Russell Gray**, 52nd LRS; **Tiashanna Guerrero**, 52nd Mission Support Squadron; **Thomas Hallanger**, 52nd CES; **Nathan Hargrafen**, 52nd CES; **Justin Harrison**, 52nd CES; **Janie Harshaw**, 52nd LRS; **Kristen Haxby**, 52nd MSS; **Patrick Hogan**, 52nd LRS; **Travis Hoisington**, 52nd CS; **David Hudson**, 52nd SFS; **Kallie Hudson**, 52nd SFS; **Michael Huley**, 52nd CES; **Michelle Humphrey**, 52nd LRS; **Royce Johnson Jr.**, 52nd CS; **Jeremy Jones**, 52nd CES; **Trice Kelley**, 52nd CES; **Drew Kilian**, 52nd LRS; **Christopher Kober**, 52nd SFS; **Chris Koehler**, 52nd LRS; **Erik Kulesza**, 52nd CS; **Nicholas Lalonde**, 52nd CES; **Zacheriah Lancaster**, 52nd LRS; **Eric Lee**, 52nd CES; **Michael Lemorie**, 52nd LRS; **Billy Logwood Jr.**, 52nd LRS; **James Mabry**, 52nd LRS; **Kenneth Marcum**, 52nd CES; **Peter Mauro**, 52nd SFS; **Nathaniel Mcleod**, 52nd CS; **John McMullen**, 52nd LRS; **Blake Mellom**, 52nd LRS; **Curtis Miller**, 52nd LRS; **Loreyna Molina**, 52nd

SFS; **Charles Moore**, 52nd LRS; **Aleasha Mooring**, 52nd MSS; **Hoang Nguyen**, 52nd CS; **Elias Nunez**, 52nd CS; **Bobby Palmer**, 52nd CS; **Eldon Pagaragan**, 52nd CES; **Kevin Pearson**, 52nd CES; **Theresa Pedro**, 52nd Services Squadron; **Kathleen Phillips**, 52nd CS; **Austin P'Pool**, 52nd CES; **Hector Quinones-Rodriguez**, 52nd LRS; **Jason Ransleben**, 52nd CS; **Johnny Rodriguez**, 52nd SVS; **Gerardo Rosario Jr.**, 52nd CES; **Matthew Schellenger**, 52nd LRS; **Douglas Schmidt**, 52nd MSS; **Paul Shepherd**, 52nd CES; **Kane Shope**, 52nd SFS; **Jason Simpson**, 52nd SFS; **Odair Soares**, 52nd CES; **Richard Straut**, 52nd SFS; **Mac Swisher**, 52nd LRS; **Gregor Teague**, 52nd CES; **Dartanion Toney**, 52nd LRS; **Justin Usery**, 52nd SFS; **Joseph Vawter**, 52nd SFS; **Allen Walton**, 52nd LRS; **Douglas Washington**, 52nd CES; **David Webster**, 52nd CES; **Ashley Wells**, 52nd SVS; **Tee Yang**, 52nd CS; **Carl Yonkers**, 52nd CES; **Steven Yost**, 52nd CES; and **Aaron Zibbel**, 52nd CES

52nd Operations Group

Jonathan Anderson, 606th Air Control Squadron; **Joseph Barnes**, 606th ACS; **Pamela Bigham**, 22nd Fighter Squadron; **Timothy Blaisdell**, 22nd FS; **Rachelle Butts**, 606th ACS; **Leslie Dailey**, 52nd Operations Support Squadron; **Edward Davis**, 606th ACS; **Julianne Flores**, 52nd OSS; **Andrea Haro**, 52nd OSS; **Anthony Hebert**, 606th ACS; **James Jancewicz**, 606th ACS; **Ryan Kees**, 606th ACS; **Reinhard Lampano**, 606th ACS; **Marcos Ocasio**, 606th ACS; **Zacary Phillips**, 606th ACS; **Tasia Pittman**, 606th ACS; **John Radovan**, 52nd OSS; **Breanna Rende**, 52nd OSS; **Nicholas Sanders**, 606th ACS; **William Vargas**, 52nd OSS; and **Kamron Wyant**, 23rd Fighter Squadron

Detachments and tenant units

Ron Baza, 726th Air Mobility Squadron; **Christy Byers**, Detachment 9, AFN; **Christopher Cadenhead**, 726th AMS; **Olen Gifford**, 726th AMS; **Jonathan Hunt**, 726th AMS; **Daniel Kaufman**, 726th AMS; **Mark Meyer**, 726th AMS; **Danielle Prasuhn**, 726th AMS; and **Joshua Verhine**, 726th AMS

Inbound to Spangdahlem AB

George Agustin, 52nd AMXS; **Robert Austin**, 52nd SVS; **Dustin Ballard**, 52nd LRS; **John Boyett**, 52nd CMS; **Justin Bragan**, 52nd SFS; **Robert Briggs II**, 703rd MUNSS; **Montrell Bryant**, 52nd AMXS; **David Budine**, 52nd AMXS; **Kenneth Burch**, 52nd EMS; **Sean Burdette**, 52nd AMXS; **Simon Carr**, 52nd CMS; **Martell Cephus**, 52nd SFS; **Jennifer Chapman**, 52nd EMS; **Gary Cospser Jr.**, 52nd CMS; **Ken Cox**, 703rd MUNSS; **Zachariah Curry**, 702nd MUNSS; **Nicholas Depuy**, 52nd AMXS; **Matthew Dillander**, 702nd MUNSS; **Justin Dixon**, 701st MUNSS; **Craig Erstad**, 52nd CMS; **Cory Farrell**, 702nd MUNSS; **Dominick Fraccicia**, 52nd EMS; **Cherie Frazee**, 52nd AMXS; **Juan Garcia**, 701st MUNSS; **Adam Gardner**, 52nd SFS; **Benjamin Gregorecyk**, 726th AMS; **Jeffrey Grove**, 726th AMS; **Tamara Hall**, 52nd LRS; **Craig Hanrahan**, 52nd CMS; **Adam Hart**, 726th AMS; **Samantha Heathington**, 52nd CS; **Justin Hogge**, 52nd EMS; **Howard Holland**, 52nd EMS; **Christopher Jackson**, 52nd CMS; **Donald Jungell III**, Det. 9, AFN; **Caitlin Kempf**, 52nd CS; **Jason Kilpatrick**, 52nd AMXS; **Tiffany Knight**, 52nd AMDS; **Patrick Kuehl**, 52nd AMXS; **Kenda Lewis**, 52nd EMS; **Paul Livaudais**, 702nd MUNSS; **Timothy McKnight**, 52nd AMXS; **Latricia Munday**, 52nd SFS; **Jason Nazareth**, 52nd CMS; **Billy Overstreet**, 52nd AMXS; **Adam Patrick**, 52nd EMS; **Amanda Peterson**, 52nd OSS; **Rodney Pinkham**, 52nd LRS; **Eric Pulkinen**, 52nd SFS; **Lemuel Robledo**, 52nd CMS; **Jeffrey Schrank**, 52nd SFS; **Phillip Severance**, 52nd EMS; **Ryan Skuller**, 52nd MOS; **Jesse Stanton**, 52nd SFS; **Jesse Stowell**, 52nd AMXS; **Joe Tainatongo**, 52nd MDSS; **Jayson Thornton**, 703rd MUNSS; **Dennis Tucker II**, 52nd SFS; **Christopher Vachon**, 52nd EMS; **Monica Valencia**, 52nd SFS; **Liz Vargas-Gonzalez**, 38th MMG; **Adam Vogt**, 52nd AMXS; **Rodney Weikel**, 52nd AMXS; **Christopher White**, 52nd EMS; **John White**, 52nd EMS; and **Stephan Zdebski**, 703rd MUNSS

(Editors note: Compiled by 1st Lt. Shannon Collins, 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office)



Courtesy photo

Top Saber Performer

Name: Tech. Sgt. Wenesday Traylor
Unit: 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron
Duty Title: Aerospace Propulsion Instructor
Hometown: None, Air Force brat
Years in service: 14
Nominee's contributions to the 52nd Fighter Wing's mission success: Sergeant Traylor works with the professionals at the Maintenance Training Flight where she trains world class maintainers. She develops and instructs maintenance training courses including intake and exhaust inspections, borescope and blade blending for A-10 and F-16 aircraft. She also uses her teaching talents to instruct

self-aid and buddy care and cardiopulmonary resuscitation classes to squadron personnel and outside agencies. She is a subject matter expert in developing written tests and instructional media. As the primary instructor scheduler she maintains an active interface with both work center supervisors and the Field Training Detachment. Her duties also require her to monitor and evaluate student performance and document training records maintaining their qualifications.

Off duty volunteerism and professional development: Sergeant Traylor was an integral part of raising \$2,300 for the 52nd MOS Vista Club at the base Open House. She currently has 10 credit hours toward her master's degree in education and curriculum.

What do you do for fun? I spend most of my free time is spent with friends and family!

Favorite thing about Spangdahlem Air Base: I love the culture and the food of the people throughout the region. I also love the sprawling vineyards and their tasty by-products. To top it off the folks at pass and registration really made life easier with their brilliant idea of mail in car registration renewal.

What I'd like to see at Spangdahlem AB: I'd like to see those smart guys at the Air Force Repair Enhancement Program make a tape measure that reads what they want it to for the waist measurement portion of the fitness test.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Emily Moore

Heading out

Airmen from Spangdahlem Air Base prepare to board an aircraft that will take them to Romania. More than 250 Airmen will spend the next three weeks training with the Romanian military and NATO forces in Exercise VIPER LANCE.



Operation On-Air

Play a dedication to your deployed loved on 105.1 FM.

E-mail song requests and your special messages to
Det9.BGOR@spangdahlem.af.mil.

Eifel Salutes

38th Munitions Maintenance Group

Senior Airman Paz Barrios, the glue keeping the munitions flight current with all facets of administrative requirements that are normally taken for granted, was recently voted by his flight as the Maintenance "Peer Award" Winner for his can-do attitude and attention to detail. Way to go, **Staff Sgt. Cameron Gandy**. His weapons storage and security systems communications security program evaluation was touted as the "best COMSEC program seen in two years" during the unit's U.S. Air Forces in Europe's June staff assistance visit.

52nd Maintenance Group

Pack'em up and head'em out! A Big 22nd Aircraft Maintenance Unit thanks goes out to **Master Sgt. Eric Fulton**, **Tech. Sgt. John Moose** and **Staff Sergeants Jeremy Guy, Christopher Fox, Daniel Souza, Ryan Krizen** and **Carissa Robles**, whose tireless efforts were key in preparing, packing and deploying 44 tons of support equipment to Romania for Exercise VIPER LANCE. Our hats go off to these behind the scene heroes of the Big 22nd AMU Support Section.

52nd Medical Group

Here's looking at you kid — **Capt. Melissa Hergan** and **Tech. Sgt. Luis Gonzalez**, both from the Optometry Flight, took their mobile optometry show on the road to Geilenkirchen,

where they performed 80 eye exams and procured 120 vision readiness devices for troops stationed there. An Eifel salute goes out to **Staff Sgt. Chloe Hayes** for the great research she did with the ion scanner registration. Thanks to her, all the ion scanners are fully registered, and the wing is in compliance. **Staff Sgt. Marc Bustria** was key in keypunching dental procedure codes worth \$473,000. **Tech. Sgt. Tosha Weaver** worked diligently to expedite the conversion to digital radiology for the dental clinic.

52nd Mission Support Group

Going above and beyond, **Airman 1st Class Richard Eby**, 52nd Security Forces Squadron, took the time to help out a fellow Saber member when her car broke down at the Spangdahlem main gate.

June yard, balcony winners

Housing salutes the June yard and balcony award winners

- ♦ Bitburg Balcony of the Month — **Maj. John McKenna and family**
- ♦ Spangdahlem Balcony of the Month — **Senior Master Sgt. David Smith and family**
- ♦ Speicher Yard of the Month — **Tech. Sgt. Jason Hall and family**
- ♦ Binsfeld Yard of the Month — **Tech. Sgt. Jose Aguirre and family**

Kudos to all; Team Eifel salutes you!
(Editors note: Compiled by Staff Sgt. Tammie Moore, 52nd FW Public Affairs Office.)



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Christopher Collins

Top Saber Team

Unit name: 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant

Unit responsibilities: The WWTP team is responsible for the operation and maintenance of two water plants producing 500,000 gallons of potable water daily, two booster stations, 16 storm water run-off retention basins and an activated sludge wastewater treatment plant processing 2.3 million gallons daily. The team directs laboratory testing in accordance with all host nation final governing standards to insure 100 percent regulatory compliance. Additionally, they are the base emergency fuel spill response team.

Number of members: 31

Team's contribution to the 52nd Fighter Wing's mission success: The WWTP ensures potable drinking water to all base agencies and residents. They also maintain all components of the sewage collection system providing an environmentally sound environment for all base personnel. They maintain a 25,000 linear feet water distribution system, 204 fire hydrants and base quality assurance evaluators for a \$750,000 contract to service 300 oil and water separators and 19 grease traps. They ensure compliance with safety and bio-environmental standards and prepare and distribute water records and reports reflecting monthly utility data to host nation and U.S. Air Forces in Europe headquarters.

Team's other contributions: The team was instrumental in the operation that moved more than one million gallons of contaminated rainwater from the base retention basins, averting berm destruction, local fines and flooding. They coordinated with contractors and worked around the clock to remove the water safely. They also drove a 24-hours a day, 7-days a week water lab analysis completing 3,000 tests in 30 days, securing 99 percent accuracy to enable fast vital decisions from the 52nd FW commander. The team created spreadsheets to track contamination levels as well as rising water levels during downpours.

Overseas voting deadline is Tues.

By Senior Airman Eydie Sakura
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

Voting registration for all U.S. citizens living overseas is Tuesday. People can exercise their right to vote now through their unit voting assistance counselors.

The deadline ensures that all eligible voters have access to absentee materials, have time to be counseled and have enough time to receive ballot materials by mail from their counties and parishes.

"The deadline helps you get your absentee paperwork done before the election," said Maj. Darren Paladino, 52nd Fighter Squadron, voting installation assistance officer. "We have more than 60 unit voting assistance counselors on base who are committed to helping you get your vote counted, and they are your key to registering and offering advice for your personal situation."

To ensure timely mailing, turn around and processing of the voting material, the federal postcard application, or the Standard Form 76, and ballot must

be mailed prior to the November elections, preferably before Oct. 15.

People who are not registered with their county or parish and want to vote in November should visit their unit voting representative now, the major said.

"Your unit reps help you one-on-one with state rules and county clerk addresses so you get registered correctly and on-time," he said. "The Armed Forces Voting Week is Sept. 3 through 9, but you're cutting it close if you wait until then."

This year's slogan is, "Responsibility Has No Borders. Vote!"

"Take time to vote at the lowest level," Major Paladino said. "Our overseas service and frequent moves make local and state issues hard to keep up with, but absentee voting is one of the ways you have available to you to help shape the hometown you'll return to one day."

For more information, visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program Web site at www.fvap.gov.

Step-by-step to voting

- ♦ The first step in the voting process is to see the unit voting counselor to determine state of residency.
- ♦ Next, a Standard Form 76 federal post card application must be filled out and mailed in by Tuesday to accommodate mail delivery times back and forth to the states.
- ♦ States, counties and parishes process the SF 76 and send a post card to let you know if registration was successful. They will also send an absentee ballot.
- ♦ Fill out the ballot according to state instructions and mail back before Oct. 15.

Things to know before seeing a Unit Voting Assistance Counselor:

- ♦ The last place you voted and when;
- ♦ The address and county or parish of your last voting residence; and
- ♦ When you last voted at that residence.

Deployed Airmen catch falcons by the tail

By Senior Airman Kerry Solan-Johnson
332nd Air Expeditionary Wing Public Affairs Office

BALAD AIR BASE, Iraq -- The tension must be right on -- down to a thousandth of an inch.

If the measurement is off, it means a multimillion dollar F-16 Fighting Falcon will careen off the runway at nearly 150 mph with its unsuspecting passenger.

And if the system fails completely, that same gray metal beast, filled with jet fuel and its pilot, will meet an unpleasant end at the termination point of the runway.

That last line of defense the mobile aircraft arresting system and its 1,200 feet of arresting tape -- is the responsibility of three Airmen assigned as the mobile maintainers, an extension of the power production section, and Airmen from the 332nd Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron.

"When a jet can't stop because of some sort of system failure, we're involved," said Staff Sgt. Joshua Maroney, NCO in charge of barrier maintenance and a maintainer for the four 18,000-pound arresting systems deployed here from Charleston Air Force Base, S.C.

When a jet is unable to stop safely on its own, the Airmen scramble to



Photo by Master Sgt. John E. Lasky

BALAD AIR BASE, Iraq — F-16 Fighting Falcons taxi toward the end of runway inspection area here. The aircraft are supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom. The F-16 Fighting Falcon is a compact, multi-role fighter aircraft. It is highly maneuverable and has proven itself in air-to-air combat and air-to-surface attack.

the MAAS before the jet lands to prepare the system, which includes a 153-foot long steel cable stretched across the runway, for a hard engagement. Because Balad is the second busiest single-runway operation in the world, next only to Heathrow International Airport in London, the three Airmen never have a break and are ready to scramble out to the arresting systems any time of day or night. This means they eat, sleep and

work in the same area, right off the taxiway, less than a one-minute ride to any aircraft arresting system.

"We haven't had an uninterrupted night's sleep in a long time," said Staff Sgt. Robert Neubert, a MAAS maintainer also deployed from Charleston. "The phone rings to warn of in-flight emergencies almost every night."

While their nights are less than peaceful, their days involve the

repeated task of maintaining and inspecting the arresting systems: tensioning cables, support block replacement and tape inspections.

"The environment is hard on the systems," said Senior Airman Robert Andrezejewski, MAAS maintainer deployed from Spangdahlem Air Base. "We're performing maintenance on arresting systems more often here than we would at home because of the heat and dust."

Each inspection takes a few hours, and if something needs repairs, it could take as many as 12 to 14 hours. There are no breaks for the trio during those hours, and there is no outsourcing the work -- the Airmen do all the maintenance and repairs themselves.

The crew also maintains the generators that supply power to the air traffic control tower, explosive ordnance disposal and the emergency airfield lighting system.

But the real test for the Airmen is when the system is engaged -- when they have three-and-half-a minutes to pull in the 1,200 feet of tape and cable and clear the runway for the endless airpower waiting to land at Balad.

"There is no room for failure for these guys," said Master Sgt. James Bomboy, 332nd ECES power production superintendent, deployed from Charleston.

"It's a lot of work for just three of them, so we augment them with the 18 members of our generator teams when necessary, but these guys accomplish the bulk of the barrier missions. They do a great job," Sergeant Bomboy said.

Program assists heroes in reaching next level

By Staff Sgt. Jeremy Larlee
Air Force Print News

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas -- They gave something that they can never get back, and a group here does its best to ensure these heroes smoothly move on to the next phase of their lives.

Palace HART -- Helping Airmen Recover Together -- is a program that assists Airmen injured in operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. Many of them have amputations and other handicaps. The program assists them in staying on active duty, if possible, but it also helps injured veterans transition to life in the civilian world.

The program started in 2004.

"Palace HART is vital to them. (Air

Force leaders) want to ensure we have no lost patrols," said Bill Sherman, the chief of family and community operations at the Air Force Personnel Center.

The program assists with resume building and by helping locate civilian service jobs for the injured heroes. They continually call the veterans, sometimes daily, to make sure the injured Airmen know that they are not alone.

Brian Kolfage lost his legs and his right arm to a mortar attack at Balad Air Base, Iraq, in 2004. With assistance from the Palace HART program he has found a job working in civil service in security forces, the same career field he held on active duty.

"Overall, this program has helped me

become more independent and more focused on what I want to do in the future and overall helped me become stronger as a person," he said.

There are 86 Airmen in the program. Approximately five Airmen a month have been added, and program officials try to stay in contact with the injured for five years.

"We just try to untie the knots for them," Mr. Sherman said. "These are people who were happy with their career and all of a sudden have to leave the service."

Palace HART officials find their work rewarding.

"It is heartwarming for me that we make sure the folks get remembered. It's important for them to know we still care,"

Awareness

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Everyone is affected by alcohol differently.

According to the RESCON policy, a DUI is defined as an alcohol-related motor vehicle incident under Article 111 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice. This allows Airmen who may not have a blood alcohol level of 0.1 to still be charged with a DUI if their alcohol consumption contributed to their accident.

"ARIs are not only a 52nd Fighter Wing issue but a MAJ-COM concern," Colonel Roberson said.

Examples of the success here include a continuous reduction of DUIs since 2002, dropping from 58 to 31 last year. In 2005, when ARIs began being tracked there were 41, so far this year there have only been 33.

"We have had a positive impact on decreasing DUIs we are hoping to see the same impact with the ARI policy," Chief Dwyer said. "People are being more responsible and looking out for one another."

Rendering proper respect not an option

By Chief Master Sgt. Gary Coleman
U.S. Air Forces in Europe Command Chief Master Sergeant

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany (USAFENS) -- If you're that Airman who pretends to be looking the other way, or even crosses the street, to avoid saluting, I want you to look deep within yourself.

It concerns me that I have noticed a small, but unfortunately visible group who stand apart from the overwhelming majority of USAFE Airmen who willingly and proudly respect military customs and courtesies.

If you are among those who fail to render a salute while exiting the post office because you are too engrossed in a letter from home, you haven't simply avoided a proper and courteous greeting; you've made a deliberate decision to disregard a critical aspect of our military heritage. One that has evolved as a

"We must all be aware of our duty to do what's right when it comes to customs and courtesies,"

-- Chief Master Sgt. Gary Coleman, USAFE command chief master sergeant

result of the need for order, mutual respect and discipline.

Adhering to acts of customs and courtesies is not an option, regardless of rank or position. The same rules of obedience and discipline apply just as they do for a maintainer following technical orders required to repair a jet engine. We can't cherry pick when to salute the staff car of a general officer anymore than that maintainer can decide which TOs he or she feels like following each day.

The failure to tighten a bolt properly or to disregard the urgency of replacing a worn O-ring can lead to fatal consequences, as we've tragically witnessed in the Space Shuttle pro-

gram. When common acts of courtesy are allowed to fall to the wayside, it can lead to equally damaging effects on our ability to accomplish the mission.

It puzzles me why this is even an issue. We all leave our various forms of basic military training fully aware of and in tune with customs and courtesies. Throughout our military careers we have the opportunity to "re-blue" ourselves at courses such as Airman Leadership School or Squadron Officer School.

I think a lot of discrepancies are unintentional. We're busy, and the operations tempo is fast-paced. I know a lot of you go about

your business on base with a multitude of personal and work-related issues going through your mind, and your line of sight may lie only a few feet in front of you. However, there is no excuse for failing to follow the rules.

We must all be aware of our duty to do what's right when it comes to customs and courtesies. If you're not sure what to do, ask your supervisor, or better yet, do your own research. And if you see someone failing to render proper acts of customs and courtesies, it's your duty to point it out.

I encourage each of you to ask yourself what kind of role model you are when it comes to customs and courtesies. It's time to get back to the basics. You are a role model, but it's up to you to determine your effectiveness and influence.

An oath sworn at Normandy

Wing chaplain shares memorable re-enlistment at famous WWII site

By Chaplain (Capt.) Buddy Walker
52nd Fighter Wing Chaplain

About a month ago, my chaplain assistant surprised me with his request: "Chaplain Walker, would you do my re-enlistment?"

I have been privileged to give the oath to several friends and colleagues I serve alongside in my Air Force career, and each is a special experience and memory. But I knew this one came about as a result of much soul searching, prayer, a little pain and some discussion. Staff Sgt. Charles Nelson made his decision: he was staying with us in the Blue, and that's a good choice for all of us.

The date was easy -- We had a down day in early June. As far as locations, Normandy kept coming to our minds for some reason and then it dawned on me -- What weekend are we wanting to do this? It was too perfect.

We could do Sergeant Nelson's re-enlistment on that hal- lowed ground the same time of year, almost to the hour, of the day it happened. The idea surfaced that I could re-enlist him over Normandy and then he could parachute down to an Airborne landing site, but there were some minor complications with logistics. How about a diesel rental car instead? Yep. Yep.

When we arrived at the American Cemetery on the bluff over- looking Omaha Beach, it was late morning, June 5. We donned our flight caps and checked each other to make sure our Dress Blues looked par for the profession, since we figured there would be loads of press and public the day before the big annual celebration.

We found the survivor of the first wave who went in standing next to a golf cart. He was surrounded by admirers and French escorts who shook our hands and humbly told his story.

He hit Utah Beach hot on the heels of Brig. Gen. Theodore Roosevelt Jr., son of the former President, and followed his yells of encouragement and the waves of his walking stick through sand dunes, shells and machine guns. And this heroic American infantryman thanked us for coming out to share his day, blended with Charles' special day. We were greatly humbled and honored.

There were Dutch, German and American visitors who approached us, asking which branch of service we were in, or which nation we represented. Many fingerprints on our brass came from kind hands, patting appreciations out in an interna- tional, intergenerational code we can all decipher. We stood where enemy gun placements showered down death upon young and middle aged GIs who swam, waded, ran, crawled, climbed and died for inches and feet of sand in gaining precious head ground.

A small squad of re-enactors dressed as 101st Airborne made their way to us, and the leader asked in his best Belgian accented English if he might have his picture made with us and to say a few words. The words came through lots of emotion, as his voice broke several times while expressing his thanks.

We didn't have to ask what made a young man from Belgium research, purchase and wear this World War II American uni- form, and volunteer his time to address school groups or stage battles at locations like these.

Then there are those crosses. We stood there looking at row upon row of martyrs from N.C., Washington or Texas and each of us tied something internally in a long distant knot. And then there was John Guint. What a movie his life would make! Born to an American father and French mother, John was living in France when the war began.

Eager to join the liberation attempts at age 17, he lied about his age and joined the U.S. Army. He eventually served as a translator for Patton's rapidly advancing Corps. He went throughout the entire European theater of operations without a scratch ... until the last month of the war, when one sponta- neous, lucky rifle shot caught up with him from a man he never saw.

That bullet didn't stop his enthusiasm for service, as he stayed with the Army and retired from Embassy duties well after the Vietnam War. He talked with us like we were visiting family, and he even invited us to his home. By now, we had caught the spirit of how big that concept really is in the wake of such a conflict that our parents and grandparents survived. Home.

As time crept back into our measuring of the day, we moved



Courtesy photo

World War II re-enactors standalong side Airman 1st Class Bruce Kelting, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron, Chaplain (Capt.) Buddy Walker and Staff Sgt. Charles Nelson, both from the 52nd Fighter Wing Chapel Office, at an American Cemetery overlooking Omaha Beach in Normandy, France. The Airmen from Spangdahlem Air Base visited the site for Sergeant Nelson's re-enlistment ceremony.

on to the true purpose of our being there. We talked about grab- bing some re-enactors, their jeep and a flag, heading off to the beach area for Sergeant Nelson's oath; or perhaps beside that giant American ensign keeping vigil over the gravesites up on the ridge.

I've found that fate, Providence or just plain luck usually pro- vides something appropriate if you're looking with the right eyes. There's this little chapel in the middle of the cemetery at the Omaha Beach site. That's perfect! We're in the Chaplaincy. Here's a Memorial Chapel, replete with flags, an altar and acoustics that rock.

I think a lot about connections in this life. I believe we all left there with a sense of something restorative and bridge-like between the dream shadows of buried youth -- afternoons steeped in Glenn Miller music, C-47s droning overhead and Betty Grable pictures posing inside footlockers.

We were sharing the same earth, sky and seas, the same future hopes, stripes, salutes and promises made.

We listened to techno rather than big band as our diesel rat- tled for home, but Pride carried the banner theme over all that day. And now comes the real challenge of serving it forward.



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Col. Darryl Roberson

Accessing Direct Line

The Direct Line program is a way to get answers to questions you still have after using your chain of command.

Direct Lines of general interest will be published in the Eifel Times and may be edited or paraphrased for brevity or clarity. Submit your Direct Line via:

- DirectLine@spangdahlem.af.mil
- Mailed to 52nd FW/PA, Unit 3680 Box 220, APO AE 09126
- To PA in building 23.
- Concerns may also be sent via fax to 452-5254.

Anonymous inputs are accepted. To receive a personal response you must include your name and phone number. Call the Eifel Times at 452-5244 for more information.

Sortie Scoreboard

Aircraft	Goal	Flown	Delta
22FS	367	72	-23
23FS	322	98	+5
81FS	362	98	-13

*Delta is contract vs. sorties flown to date.

Through Aug. 9

Courtesy of the 52nd Operations Support Squadron Plans and Scheduling Section

Editor's Note: Submit "Community" advertisements 10 days before the desired publication date to publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil. Call the 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office Internal Information Section at 452-5244 for more information.

Airmen's Attic

The Bitburg Annex Airmen's Attic open Tuesdays from 8 a.m. to noon and Wednesdays from 1-4 p.m. is in need of volunteers to help sort and bag coupons. For more information, call 452-6422.

Amateur DJ Night

People with a desire to disk jockey are welcome to show off their skills at the Brick House tonight from 7 p.m. to midnight. Bring personal music or chose from the Brick House's selection.

Block party

The Just Airman Council hosts a Block Party for all Airmen near the Spangdahlem AB Post Office parking lot Aug. 26 from 3-9 p.m.

Eifel Cub Scouts

The Eifel Cub Scouts are in need of den leaders and other volunteers for the Spangdahlem AB and Bitburg Annex scouting packs. For more information, call Lin Hairstone at 06565-955997 or Kevin Rokey at 06554-900892.

Embry-Riddle University

Embry-Riddle University offers a three-week course of SFTY 320, Human Factors in Aviation Safety starting Saturday. For more information or to register, call 452-7553 or stop by building 192.

EMHG meeting

The European Military History Group holds a public meeting Sunday at 5 p.m. on the third floor of building 127. The meeting is open to anyone with knowledge, enthusiasm or an interest in military history. The EMHG strives to foster an awareness of military history. For more information, contact Tech. Sgt. Daniel Williams at 452-6571 or EMHG-1@hotmail.com.

Fall Bazaar volunteers

The Spangdahlem Officers and Civilians Spouses Club is seeking 2006 Fall Bazaar volunteers to help with set up, process credit cards, serve as runners, assist vendors and more. Volunteers receive an opportunity to shop before everyone else Oct. 13 from 10 a.m. to noon and childcare reimbursement while volunteering. For more information, e-mail Iwanttovolunteer@hotmail.com.

Hispanic Heritage Month

The Multi-Cultural Awareness Committee seeks volunteers to assist with dancing, floats, music and more for the Hispanic Heritage Parade Sept. 15. For more information, call 2nd Lt. Fernando Defillo at 452-2054.

Playgroups

The Spangdahlem AB playgroup meets Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon on the first floor of stairwell A building 409. The Bitburg Annex playgroup meets Thursdays from 10 a.m. to noon in building 2012 in the Community Center Playhouse and Family Room. Both playgroups are open to all parents and their infants and preschoolers. For more information, call Cecilia Diaz at 452-8279.

SAC nominations

The Bitburg High School Advisory Committee is taking nominations for parent and teacher representatives now through Aug. 25. Parents of BHS students with a June 2008 date eligible for return overseas or later are invited to submit their name for nomination. Names and contact information for nominees should be submitted to BitburgHighSAC@hotmail.com. The election to fill three parent and teacher positions takes place during the BHS Open House Sept. 6. For more information, call 06563-962738 or e-mail BitburgHighSAC@hotmail.com.

SOCSC meet, greet

The Spangdahlem Officers and Civilian Spouses Club hosts a "Welcome/Welcome Back Coffee" for all current members and anyone interested in learning more about the group. This meet and greet takes place Aug. 22 from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Club Eifel Fireside Dining Room. A light brunch will be served, and on-site child care is available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information about the SOCSC, call Marlie Sherer at 06569-962-379 or Becky Moore at 06565-955-853.

SSEMC meeting

The Spouses and Enlisted Members Club meets Aug. 26 for a summer family barbecue at the base pavilion. For more information, e-mail catering@ssemc.org.

Spangdahlem Library

- ♦ The Spangdahlem Library closes Tuesday for Wing Training Day.
- ♦ "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales," reading logs are due today. Turn logs into the Spangdahlem AB Library or place logs in an envelope and drop them in the Bitburg Annex book-drop.

Chapel Events

Chaplains out

The 52nd Fighter Wing chaplains will be out off the office Thursday to attend a workshop at Ramstein Air Base. An auxiliary chaplains will be available to assist with counseling needs that day.

Gospel Extravaganza

This year's Gospel Extravaganza workshop takes place Aug. 22-25 in the Bitburg Annex Chapel at 6 p.m. The theme is "His Glory Is The Goal." The extravaganza features guest speakers and concludes with a concert.

CWOC Flea Market

The Catholic Women of the Chapel host a flea market Saturday at the Bitburg Annex Chapel parking lot from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Proceeds help fund a parish trip to Lourdes, France.

For more information about Chapel events or religious services, call the chapel at 452-6711/6281.

Der Markt

Free classifieds policy and submission deadlines

Der Markt is for the personal resale of items by military and civilian employees and their families. Items such as advertisements for rental property won't be published due to funded paper restraints. Ads should be 35 words or less and customers are limited to no more than two ads per week. Ads must be typed or printed legibly and turned into the public affairs office, building 23, at least 10 days before the desired date of publication. Ads can also be e-mailed to publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil or sent via fax to 452-5254. Having ads in by deadline does not guarantee publication. Ads for services generating regular income will not be published. The ads must include the sponsor's name and telephone number. Ads not meeting these requirements, including those exceeding the designated word limits, will not be printed. The Eifel Times staff reserves the right to edit ads.

Start Safe, Stay Safe workshop

This Family Advocacy workshop provides parents with strategies they can use to increase their awareness of child abuse while teaching prevention strategies to keep children safe, takes place Aug. 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For more information or to sign up, call 452-8279.

University of Phoenix

The University of Phoenix is beginning master's degree classes on base Aug. 29. For more information, call Mischelle Trigo at 452-7556.

Thrift Shop

The Spangdahlem AB Thrift Shop is open Tuesdays through Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. for sales. Donations are always welcome, and consignments are taken until 4 p.m. For more information, visit the Thrift Shop in building 410,



Photo by John Olson

Chowing down

(Left to right) Maj. Paul Cairney, 52nd Security Forces Squadron commander, and Lt. Col. Michael Pitts, 52nd Mission Support Squadron commander, enjoy some pizza at the Spangdahlem Pizza Hut grand opening Aug. 4.



Movies

The following movie listings are for today through Aug. 17. Times and movies are subject to change. For more information, call 06565-61-9441 or 452-9441. For movie synopses, visit www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp.

Spangdahlem Skyline Today

♦ *The Break Up* (PG-13, 7 p.m.)
Brooke calls it quits with her boyfriend, Gary. When neither is willing to move out, the only solution is to continue living as hostile room-mates until somebody caves.

♦ *Superman Returns* (PG-13, 9:30 p.m.)

Following a mysterious absence of several years, the Man of Steel, Superman, comes back to Earth -- but things have changed.



Saturday

♦ *The Break Up* (7 p.m.)
♦ *The Omen* (R, 9:30 p.m.)

A remake of the 1976 horror classic *The Omen*, an American official realizes that his young son may literally be the devil incarnate.

♦ *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest* (PG-13, mid-night)

Captain Barbossa, Will Turner and Elizabeth Swann must sail off the edge of the map, navigate treachery and betrayal, and make their final alliances for one last decisive battle.

Sunday

♦ *Superman Returns* (4 p.m.)
♦ *The Break Up* (7 p.m.)

Monday

♦ *The Omen* (7 p.m.)

Tuesday

♦ *Superman Returns* (7 p.m.)

Wednesday and Thursday closed

Bitburg Castle

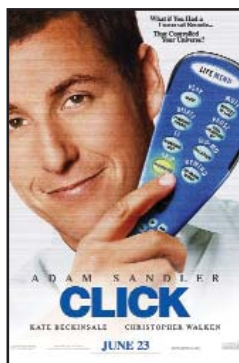
Today

♦ *Click* (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

A workaholic architect, who has been overlooking his family in favor of his career, comes across a universal remote that allows him to perform TiVo-like functions on his life, such as pausing events or fast-forwarding over them.

♦ *X-Men: The Last Stand* (PG-13, 9:30 p.m.)

The adventures continue for the superpowered group, the X-Men, led by Professor Xavier. Humans develop a cure that will turn all mutants into humans, stripping them of their powers. Magneto leads a group to stop the cure.



Saturday

♦ *X-Men: The Last Stand* (7 p.m.)
♦ *The DaVinci Code* (PG-13, 9:30 p.m.)

The murder of a curator at the Louvre reveals a sinister plot to uncover a secret that has been protected since the days of Christ.

Sunday

♦ *Over the Hedge* (PG, 4 p.m.)

Spring has sprung, and Verne and his woodland friends awaken from their long winter's nap to discover that a tall, green "thing" has mysteriously cropped up right through the middle of their home.

♦ *Click* (7 p.m.)

Monday and Tuesday closed

Wednesday

♦ *The DaVinci Code* (7 p.m.)

Thursday

♦ *Click* (7 p.m.)

Fireworks: Rhine River 'set in flames' during annual celebration in Koblenz

By Iris Reiff

52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

Rhine Aflame will light up the countryside Saturday in Koblenz. For the event, castles, old half-timbered houses and the Rhine River shore will be illuminated. Eight firework displays will top off the celebrations along the river.

Koblenz celebrates this annual festival with a number of special attractions, including an amusement park. Events begin Saturday at 4 p.m. when entertainment will be provided near the famous Deutsche Eck, or German Corner, where the Rhine and Mosel rivers meet. Several bands from Germany and elsewhere start their performances early in the evening near the Rhine bridge.

Dance music will occur at the Rhine-Mosel hall all night.

Activities include the opening of the amusement park at 11 a.m. and music and entertainment along the Mosel shore, starting at 2 p.m.

About 80 decorated passenger ships, making up the largest flotilla of Europe with 30,000 spectators aboard, will cruise down the Rhine, passing illuminations before arriving in Koblenz at 10:30 p.m.

This spectacle can be viewed from the banks of the river or from the hillside on either side of a 17-kilometer long stretch of the Rhine. While the brightly illuminated fleet slowly glides down the Rhine, the adjacent towns with their romantic buildings, fortresses and castles are bathed in lights. Eight displays of fireworks along the way will light up the evening sky at Spay, Braubach (Marksburg castle), Brey, Rhens, Lahnstein and Koblenz.

The initial fireworks display will kick off at 9:30 p.m. in Spay, while the final and most gigantic one will start off at about 11 p.m. from the Koblenz Ehrenbreitstein castle.

The town and river shores will all be illuminated by this



Airman Stacy Moless

Enjoy eight firework displays at the annual Rhine Aflame festival along the Rhine River, between Braubach, Spay and Koblenz Saturday. Festivities begin at 4 p.m. at the Deutsche Ecke, or German corner, where the Rhein and Mosel rivers meet in Koblenz.

time. Food and beverages, as well as some of the finest Mosel wines, will be available at stands set up along the streets.

Nearly 500,000 spectators come to the Koblenz festival every year. People who plan to drive should arrive early to find parking and a good spot to watch the fireworks. Koblenz is about 100 kilometers northeast of Spangdahlem and can be reached via Autobahn 1/48 from Wittlich.

Out and About



1st Lt. Shannon Collins

Enoying the sunshine

A bear poses at the Belgium Safair Park. Spangdahlem Air Base's Information, Tickets and Travel Office offers a trip to the Belgium Grottos and Safari Park Aug. 26. For more information, call 452-6567.

(Editor's note: Times and dates are subject to change)

♦ Flugplatzfest, the Mont-Royal Airplane festival takes place **Saturday through Sunday** in Traben-Trarbach, located along the Mosel. This free event features acrobatic flying with bi-planes and gliders, gyrocopters, motor powered gliders, hot air balloons and more.

Information, Tickets and Travel offers the following trips. For more information or to make a reservation, call 452-6567, e-mail 52svs.itt@sapangdahlem.af.mil or visit the ITT office at Spangdahlem AB in building 124 at least two weeks before the event.

♦ Pass the day in Paris on an Express Trip, **Aug. 19**; cost is \$115 for adults and \$100 for children ages 3-12, which includes transportation, a tour of the city and admission to the Louvre and Eiffel Tower.

♦ Indulge at the Wittlich Pig Fest, **Aug. 19**; cost is \$28.

♦ Enjoy Brussels, during the Payless Tour, **Aug. 19**; cost is \$45.

♦ Experience England on the London Express Trip **Aug. 25-26**; Cost is \$125 for adults and \$115 for children ages 3-12.

♦ Step back in time at the Cochem Medieval Dinner, **Aug. 26**; cost is \$77.

♦ Cruise the Rhein River **Aug. 26**; cost is \$52 for adults and \$46 for children ages 3-12.

♦ Have an adventure at the Belgian Grottos and Safari Park **Aug. 26**; cost is \$59 for adults and \$49 for children ages 3-12.

♦ Pass the long Labor Day weekend in Spain on the Spain Ole 3 Overnights trip, **Aug. 31 through Sept. 4**; cost is \$329 for adults and \$299 for children ages 3-12.

Outdoor Recreation offers the following trips. For more information or to make a

reservation, call 452-7071.

♦ Spend the day canoeing on the Sauer River, **Aug. 19**; cost is \$35. The price includes transportation, guide, instruction and equipment.

♦ Fish trout in Luxemburg **Aug. 26**; cost is \$40. The price includes transportation, fishing and bait. Fishing equipment is available at ODR for \$5.

The 52nd Services Squadron's Teen Center offers the following trips. For more information call 452-9206.

♦ Take off and explore Trier, visit the Porta-Nigra and various historical sites in this famous city, **Aug. 22**; transportation is \$5, however bring euros for spending. The bus leaves the Teen Center at noon and returns at 6 p.m. Permission slips are required. Sign up by **Thursday**.

♦ Wandering Wednesday trips adventures to Speicher **Aug. 23**.

Sports Briefs

Basketball finals

The summer basketball season wraps up with the Best of 5 Finals at the Fitness Center. Game three in this series faces off the 30-4 Celtics against the 23-12 Heat today at 6 p.m. If the series does not have a champion at the end of game three, the teams go head to head again Saturday at 3 p.m. In the event no winner has been determined at this point, the teams will battle one last time Tuesday at 6 p.m.

Bowling Center

- ♦ A No-Tap Tournament, Aug. 18, offers a twist on normal bowling -- ladies knock down eight pins to get a strike, and men knock down nine. Competitors must be 18 or older. Sign up begins at 5 p.m., and the tournament starts at 6 p.m. A Crazy Eights competition kicks off while the results of the No-Tap Tournament are tabulated. Cost is \$15 per game.

- ♦ Let creativity run wild and turn a bowling pin into a car for the Pin Wood Derby contest. Pins must have at least three wheels and be able to roll. The event will be a show and shine contestants will not be racing their pins. Pins must be turned in by Aug. 25.

- ♦ 50/50 Bowling offers parents a break children can bowl for 50 cents per game and rent shoes for another 50 cents Mondays and Fridays from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- ♦ Deployed Family Day provides families of deployed members the opportunity to bowl for \$1 per game with their Project Care button Mondays from 10:30 a.m. to close.

Eifel Mountain Golf Course

- ♦ Sign up for the Eifel Mountain Open Championship, a 36 Hole Tournament Saturday and Sunday. The tournament consists of 18 holes each day to determine the base champion. Players without handicaps are required to play the scratch. Tee times begin at 8 a.m. Prizes will be awarded for first and second place. This tournament serves as the qualifying event for the Ryder Cup team which will compete against the German Ryder Cup team in October.

- ♦ The Third Annual Eifel Mountain Kids Classic, a three hole tournament, takes place Aug. 18 at 10 a.m. Volunteers are needed for supervision and safety. Ice cream and cake will be provided. For more information, call Dale Davis at 452-6821.

Fitness assessments

People interested in having a free fitness assessment performed should call the fitness center to schedule an appointment. Assessments are broken down into six phases: blood pressure, body composition, muscular strength, muscular endurance, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness check. The results of the test determine a person's strengths and weaknesses. For more information, call Juergen Stockemer at 452-6496.

Guts and Glory 5K

The 52nd Services Squadron offers a 5K Guts and Glory Fun Run in honor of Women's Equality Day Aug. 24 at 6 a.m., noon and 4 p.m. The run starts at the Spangdahlem AB fitness center. Participants are welcome to bring their spouses, children and dogs. For more information, call Juergen Stockemer at 452-6634.

Kickball tournament, potluck

The Eifel Cub Scouts hosts a kickball tournament Aug. 19 at the Centrum Old School in Lambersburg from noon to 4 p.m. The tournament is open to Eifel boys in first through fifth grade with an interest in scouting. Children can also enjoy horse and buggy rides and a 25-foot banana split. Participants must be registered by Aug. 16. For more information or to make a reservation, call Mary Marchand at 452-9442 or 06562-974257.

Martial arts classes available

- ♦ Practice Tai Chi Quan Mondays and Wednesdays from noon to 1 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB Youth Center and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. in the Bitburg Annex fitness center. For more information, call Klaus Van Den Boom at 452-2392.

- ♦ Kuk Sool Won classes take place Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6:30 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB fitness center.

- ♦ Aikido classes take place Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB fitness center.

Wall climbing available

The rock climbing room is open for certified climbers. To learn wall climbing techniques and to gain certification, call the Spangdahlem AB fitness center at 452-6634.



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(Right to left) Charles Hernandez, team CES, defends as Ricardo Selby, team LRS, runs for the touchdown during the first game of the Intramural Flag Football season. The LRS team sent CES packing with a 13-6 score.

LRS tackles CES

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The Spangdahlem intramural flag football season kicked off with a bang Monday when team LRS defeated team CES.

There are plenty of changes this season, said Edward Marshall, 52nd Services Squadron fitness center recreation aid. There are now East and West conferences with six teams each. The season wraps up with an All-Star game.

Awards for most valuable player, offensive and defensive player of the year and more will be presented

to the deserving individuals, Mr. Marshall said.

The Monday night LRS verses CES game ended with final score of 13-6. Michael Ziegler, LRS, scored two touchdowns for the winning team, while Delbert 'DJ' Coburn, CES, put his team on the board with a touchdown.

To catch some of the action, check out one of the upcoming games: MDG verses OSS Monday at 6 p.m. and 702 verses MOS at 7 p.m. or Tuesday EMS verses AMXS at 6 p.m. and OSS verses 726 at 7 p.m.



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Luis Jamie, team CES, runs the ball during the second half of the game, Aug. 22.



Photo by Edward Marshall



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(Above) Delbert 'DJ' Coburn, team CES, makes a play against LRS defenders during the opening game of Spangdahlem AB's Intramural Flag Football season. 'DJ' scored the only CES touchdown of the game.

(Left) Steven Gardner, flag football referee, calls a play during the Monday evening game. To see the teams in action, catch the next LRS game Aug. 22 at 7 p.m. and the next CES game Thursday at 7 p.m.